

### REMARKS

Claims 10 and 19 are amended. The pending claims are claims 1-35. As discussed below, no new matter has been added by any of the amendments provided in this Supplementary Preliminary Amendment to the specification and to the claims now pending in this application.

#### Amendments to the Drawings

FIG. 13 has been amended to add reference numbers 1306 and 1308. Reference number 1306 is associated with the phrase "View Auction Items," wherein the phrase "View Auction Items" appears in Fig. 13 as originally filed in the application. Reference number 1308 is associated with the phrase "Buy it Now Items," wherein the phrase "Buy it Now Items" appears in Fig. 13 as originally filed in the application. In addition, both the "View Auction Items" and the "Buy it Now Items" phrases are discussed with respect to Fig. 13 in paragraph 0050 of the written description of the specification as originally filed.

No new matter has been added through the amendments to Fig. 13.

#### Amendments to the Written Description

The written description of the specification has been amended at paragraph 0029, 0042, 0047, 0048, 0050, 0053, 0057, and 0058. No new matter has been added through the amendments to these paragraphs.

Paragraph 0029 is amended to correct an obvious typographical error by replacing the phrase "22<sub>b</sub>" with the phrase "23<sub>b</sub>" in three places in paragraph 0029. Support for this amendment may be found for example in paragraph 0029 reciting a "second database 23<sub>b</sub>."

Paragraph 0042 is amended to correct an obvious typographical error by replacing the reference number "73" with the reference number "72". Support for this amendment may be found for example in FIG. 5 of the application as originally filed.

Paragraph 0047 is amended to correct an obvious typographical error by replacing the phrase "method 121" with the phrase "method 120". Support for this amendment may be found

for example in the first line of paragraph 0047 which states, "Figure 12 is a flow chart illustrating a method 120, . . . ."

Paragraph 0048 is amended to correct an obvious typographical error by replacing the phrase "Figure 4" with the phrase "Figure 5". Support for this amendment may be found for example in paragraph 0036 which states, "Fig. 5 is a flow chart illustrating a method 70, . . . ."

Paragraph 0050 is amended to replace "1301(?)" with "1300" following the phrase "Figure 13 illustrates an exemplary interface." Support for this amendment may be found for example in Fig. 13 as originally filed in the application. Paragraph 0050 is also amended to add reference number "907" following the phrase "View Buy It Now Items." Support for this amendment may be found for example in Fig. 9 as originally filed in the application. Paragraph 0050 was also amended to add reference number "1306" following the phrase "'View Auction Items' option" and to add reference number "1308" following the phrase "'Buy It Now Items' option". These reference numbers are added to correspond with the added reference numbers in Fig. 13, thus associating the already existing language in paragraph 0050 to the already existing items found in Fig. 13 of the application, as the application was originally filed. Therefore, no new matter was added through these amendments.

Paragraph 0053 is amended to correct an obvious typographical error by replacing the phrase "block 124" with the phrase "block 154". Support for this amendment may be found for example in FIG. 14 as originally filed in the application.

Paragraph 0057 is amended to correct obvious typographical errors by replacing reference number "320" following the phrase "signal generation device" with the reference number "318" and by replacing the reference number "322" following the phrase "a network interface device" with the reference number "320". Support for these amendments may be found for example in Fig. 15 as originally filed in the application.

Paragraph 0058 is amended to correct obvious typographical errors as follows: replacing the reference number "324" following the phrase "a machine-readable medium" with the reference number "322"; replacing the reference number "326" following the word "software" with the reference number "324" in three places in paragraph 0058; and replacing the reference

number "322" following the phrase "the network interface device" with the reference number "320". Support for each of the amendments to paragraph 0058 may be found for example in Fig. 15 as originally filed in the application.

*Amendments to the Claims*

Claims 10 and 19 are amended. Claims 10 and 19 were merely amended to correct obvious typographical errors in the dependency of these claims. As amended, claim 10 now depends from claim 9, and claim 19 now depends from claim 18.

No new matter has been added through the amendments to claims 10 and 19.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for examination. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney at (612) 371-2132 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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**IN THE DRAWINGS**

Please replace the existing FIG. 13 filed with the application with the FIG. 13 supplied herein. A complete set of drawings, including Figures 1-15 on sheets 1-15, is supplied with this response, wherein each of sheets 1-15 has been labeled "REPLACEMENT SHEET".